

Amendments to the Specification

Please replace the paragraph beginning at line 1, page 4 with the following paragraph:

Briefly, the present invention comprises a steering column pivot pin removal tool which includes a bridge support with a crown at one end and depending legs from the crown. A jack nut is fitted through a passage in the bridge support crown and is retained on the bridge support by means of an O-ring engaging the jack nut. The jack nut includes a threaded through passage through which a cap screw may be inserted. The cap screw is sized to fit into a threaded bore in the pivot pin to effect the removal of the pivot pin. Thus, the cap screw and jack nut are both independently rotatable and both mounted on the bridge support. The smaller cap screw may be threaded into the pivot pin. When so threaded in and tightly engaged with the pivot pin, then the jack nut may be rotated in ~~the reverse~~ a clockwise direction while holding the cap screw in a fixed position so as to effect pulling or removal of the pivot pin from the steering assembly.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at line 19, page 6 with the following paragraph:

In review, the tool is used by placing the bridge support 10 legs 27 against the steering column assembly 11. The cap screw 20 is then threaded through the jack nut 12 and into the pivot pin 15. The cap screw 20 is then held in a fixed non-rotatable position and the jack nut 12 is turned in ~~reverse~~ a clockwise direction. The O-ring 14 and washer 16 act as a bearing to maintain the jack nut 12 in combination with the bridge support 10 but rotatable.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at line 1, page 10 with the following paragraph:

A steering column pivot pin removal tool includes a bridge support with a jack nut having a cap screw threaded therethrough for engagement with a pivot pin of a steering assembly. The jack nut is held in place by an O-ring. ~~Reverse~~ Clockwise rotation of the jack nut effects withdrawal of the pivot pin engaged by the cap screw.